

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - April 2009

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IOWA, Northeast				
MITCHELL COUNTY --- 0.5 E OSAGE [43.28, -92.81]				
	04/24/09 17:14 CST		0	Hail (0.88 in)
	04/24/09 17:14 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
FLOYD COUNTY --- 2.0 W ROCKFORD [43.05, -93.01]				
	04/24/09 17:30 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 17:30 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
FLOYD COUNTY --- 0.8 W CHARLES CITY [43.07, -92.72]				
	04/24/09 18:10 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 18:10 CST		0	Source: Fire Department/Rescue
FLOYD COUNTY --- 1.0 E CHARLES CITY [43.07, -92.68]				
	04/24/09 18:15 CST		0	Hail (1.50 in)
	04/24/09 18:25 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
FLOYD COUNTY --- 1.0 ESE CHARLES CITY [43.06, -92.68]				
	04/24/09 18:15 CST		0	Hail (2.00 in)
	04/24/09 18:25 CST		0	Source: Fire Department/Rescue
The Fire Department/Rescue Squad reported hail ranging from ping pong ball size to two inches in diameter.				
CHICKASAW COUNTY --- 1.2 SE NEW HAMPTON [43.06, -92.31]				
	04/24/09 19:00 CST		0	Hail (0.88 in)
	04/24/09 19:00 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
Severe thunderstorms erupted along a slow moving cold front after temperatures reached nearly 90 degrees. These storms produced large hail ranging from the size of nickels in Chickasaw County to golf balls in Floyd County.				

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Photo of one inch hail taken in Charles City, IA on April 24, 2009 around 7:17 p.m. CDT by Jeff Sisson.

CLAYTON COUNTY --- 0.5 ENE MONONA [43.05, -91.39]

04/26/09 19:00 CST	3K	Thunderstorm Wind (EG 52 kt)
04/26/09 19:00 CST	0	Source: Newspaper

According to the Monona Outlook, damaging winds from thunderstorms knocked down trees and power lines in the town of Monona.

A strong low pressure system triggered isolated severe thunderstorms across parts of northeast Iowa in the evening hours of April 26th. The severe thunderstorms produced damaging winds and knocked down trees and power lines in Clayton County.

CLAYTON COUNTY --- LITTLEPORT [42.75, -91.37], 0.5 NW LITTLEPORT [42.75, -91.38], 0.7 NE LITTLEPORT [42.76, -91.36], 0.6 ENE LITTLEPORT [42.75, -91.36]

04/26/09 20:25 CST	0	Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
04/27/09 22:30 CST	0	Source: River/Stream Gage

The Volga River at Littleport crested at 14.32 feet during the early morning hours of April 27th. Flood stage is 12 feet.

CLAYTON COUNTY --- 1.6 WNW LUANA [43.08, -91.50], 2.1 S STRAWBERRY PT [42.65, -91.53], 3.1 SE TURKEY RIVER [42.70, -91.01], 0.2 NE MARQUETTE [43.05, -91.18]

04/26/09 20:45 CST	0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
04/27/09 04:00 CST	0	Source: Law Enforcement

Law Enforcement officials reported a mud slide on Highway 76 one mile north of Marquette and flooded rural roadways in Clayton County.

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CLAYTON COUNTY --- 1.6 N ELKPORT [42.75, -91.28], 1.6 N GARBER [42.75, -91.27], 0.7 NE GARBER [42.74, -91.26], 0.4 NNE ELKPORT [42.74, -91.28]				
	04/27/09 02:11 CST		0	Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	04/27/09 06:08 CST		0	Source: River/Stream Gage
The Turkey River at Garber briefly topped flood stage during the early morning hours of April 27th hitting a crest of 17.32 feet. Flood stage is 17 feet.				
A strong low pressure system tracked across northern Iowa in the evening hours of April 26th. This produced strong thunderstorms with very heavy rainfall across parts of northeast Iowa. The heavy rainfall caused mudslides and flooded rural roadways in Clayton County.				
MINNESOTA, Southeast				
(MN-Z086) DODGE				
	04/08/09 12:00 CST		0	Wildfire
	04/08/09 16:00 CST		0	
Very dry conditions and strong winds caused a controlled burn to become uncontrollable near Dodge Center in Dodge County on April 8th. The wildfire burned six acres of grass.				
(MN-Z087) OLMSTED				
	04/09/09 14:35 CST		0	Wildfire
	04/09/09 18:20 CST		0	
Very dry conditions and strong winds caused a grass fire to become out of control and burn two acres on the northeast side of Rochester in Olmsted County on April 9th.				
(MN-Z087) OLMSTED				
	04/23/09 14:43 CST		0	Wildfire
	04/23/09 17:34 CST		0	
A wildfire caused by very dry conditions and strong winds burned five acres on the southwest side of Rochester in Olmsted County on April 23.				
WABASHA COUNTY --- 1.0 WNW WABASHA [44.39, -92.05]				
	04/24/09 16:00 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 16:00 CST		0	Source: COOP Observer
OLMSTED COUNTY --- 4.0 NNW ROCHESTER [44.08, -92.51]				
	04/24/09 16:10 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 16:10 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
OLMSTED COUNTY --- 3.3 NW ROCHESTER [44.06, -92.52]				
	04/24/09 16:14 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	04/24/09 16:14 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
OLMSTED COUNTY --- 3.8 NW ROCHESTER [44.07, -92.51]				
	04/24/09 16:16 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 16:16 CST		0	Source: Public
WINONA COUNTY --- 3.0 N LEWISTON [44.02, -91.88]				
	04/24/09 17:08 CST		0	Hail (1.50 in)
	04/24/09 17:10 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
WINONA COUNTY --- 0.5 W WINONA [44.05, -91.66]				
	04/24/09 17:34 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 17:34 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager

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FILLMORE COUNTY --- 2.0 SW OSTRANDER [43.60, -92.46]				
	04/24/09 20:52 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	04/24/09 20:52 CST		0	Source: Public

Thunderstorms developed rapidly along a slow moving cold front after temperatures reached nearly 90 degrees in late April. The storms quickly reached severe limits and produced large hail ranging from penny to quarter sized.



Photo of large hail taken north of Lewiston, MN on April 24, 2009 by Russ Marsolek.

WISCONSIN, Southwest

(WI-Z041) LA CROSSE, (WI-Z042) MONROE				
	04/10/09 13:30 CST		60K	Wildfire
	04/14/09 20:00 CST		2K	

Very dry conditions during the first half of April 2009, combined with low relative humidities and strong winds, led to favored days of above normal and dangerous fire weather behavior. This led to several wild fires across western Wisconsin.

(WI-Z044) ADAMS				
	04/17/09 11:00 CST		0.50M	Wildfire
	04/17/09 17:00 CST	1	0	

Very dry conditions and strong winds across portions of central Wisconsin caused a controlled burn of grass clippings in a wooded area to quickly become out of control in Adams County on April 17th. The wildfire burned approximately 106 acres and destroyed several vehicles, outbuildings, personal property, permanent and seasonal residences.

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BUFFALO COUNTY --- 0.5 E MONDOVI [44.57, -91.67]				
	04/24/09 16:15 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 16:15 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
A Sheriff deputy measured one inch in diameter size hail in Mondovi.				
TAYLOR COUNTY --- 4.4 N DONALD [45.31, -90.91]				
	04/24/09 17:16 CST		0	Hail (1.25 in)
	04/24/09 17:16 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
BUFFALO COUNTY --- 0.9 SE DODGE [44.12, -91.54]				
	04/24/09 17:50 CST		0	Hail (1.75 in)
	04/24/09 17:50 CST		0	Source: Emergency Manager
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY --- CENTERVILLE [44.07, -91.45]				
	04/24/09 17:53 CST		0	Hail (1.50 in)
	04/24/09 17:53 CST		0	Source: Public
CLARK COUNTY --- ABBOTSFORD [44.95, -90.32]				
	04/24/09 18:10 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 18:10 CST		0	Source: Amateur Radio
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY --- 2.1 NNW GALESVILLE [44.11, -91.36]				
	04/24/09 18:11 CST		0	Hail (1.75 in)
	04/24/09 18:11 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
TREMPEALEAU COUNTY --- 2.7 NE GALESVILLE [44.11, -91.32]				
	04/24/09 18:15 CST		0	Hail (2.00 in)
	04/24/09 18:15 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
JACKSON COUNTY --- TAYLOR [44.32, -91.12]				
	04/24/09 18:40 CST		0	Hail (1.75 in)
	04/24/09 18:40 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
JACKSON COUNTY --- 0.5 W MERRILLAN [44.45, -90.84]				
	04/24/09 19:00 CST		0	Hail (0.88 in)
	04/24/09 19:00 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
JACKSON COUNTY --- 0.6 NNE ALMA CENTER [44.44, -90.91]				
	04/24/09 19:04 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	04/24/09 19:04 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
Law Enforcement officials reported dime to penny size hail in Alma Center, Black River Falls, and Merrilan.				
CLARK COUNTY --- 1.5 W NEILLSVILLE [44.57, -90.63]				
	04/24/09 19:10 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 19:10 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
CLARK COUNTY --- 0.9 SE NEILLSVILLE [44.56, -90.59]				
	04/24/09 19:11 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 19:11 CST		0	Source: Amateur Radio
CLARK COUNTY --- 2.7 NNW NEILLSVILLE [44.61, -90.62]				
	04/24/09 19:24 CST		15K	Hail (2.00 in)
	04/24/09 19:24 CST		0	Source: NWS Employee

Parents of a NWS employee reported large hail at their home.

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CLARK COUNTY --- 0.4 NNE GLOBE [44.65, -90.67]				
	04/24/09 19:31 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 19:31 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter
CLARK COUNTY --- 1.6 ESE SHORTVILLE [44.49, -90.49]				
	04/24/09 19:42 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 19:42 CST		0	Source: Amateur Radio
CLARK COUNTY --- 2.3 SSE NEVINS [44.47, -90.35]				
	04/24/09 20:00 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	04/24/09 20:00 CST		0	Source: Amateur Radio
Penny sized hail was reported at the intersection of County Road Z and Highway 73.				
VERNON COUNTY --- 0.4 ENE COON VLY [43.70, -91.01]				
	04/24/09 21:25 CST		0	Hail (0.75 in)
	04/24/09 21:25 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement
JUNEAU COUNTY --- 2.2 N (VOK)VOLK AAF CAMP D [43.95, -90.27]				
	04/24/09 22:07 CST		0	Hail (1.00 in)
	04/24/09 22:07 CST		0	Source: Law Enforcement

Thunderstorms erupted quickly in southeast Minnesota and northeast Iowa along and ahead of a slow moving cold front. The storms quickly became severe producing large hail.

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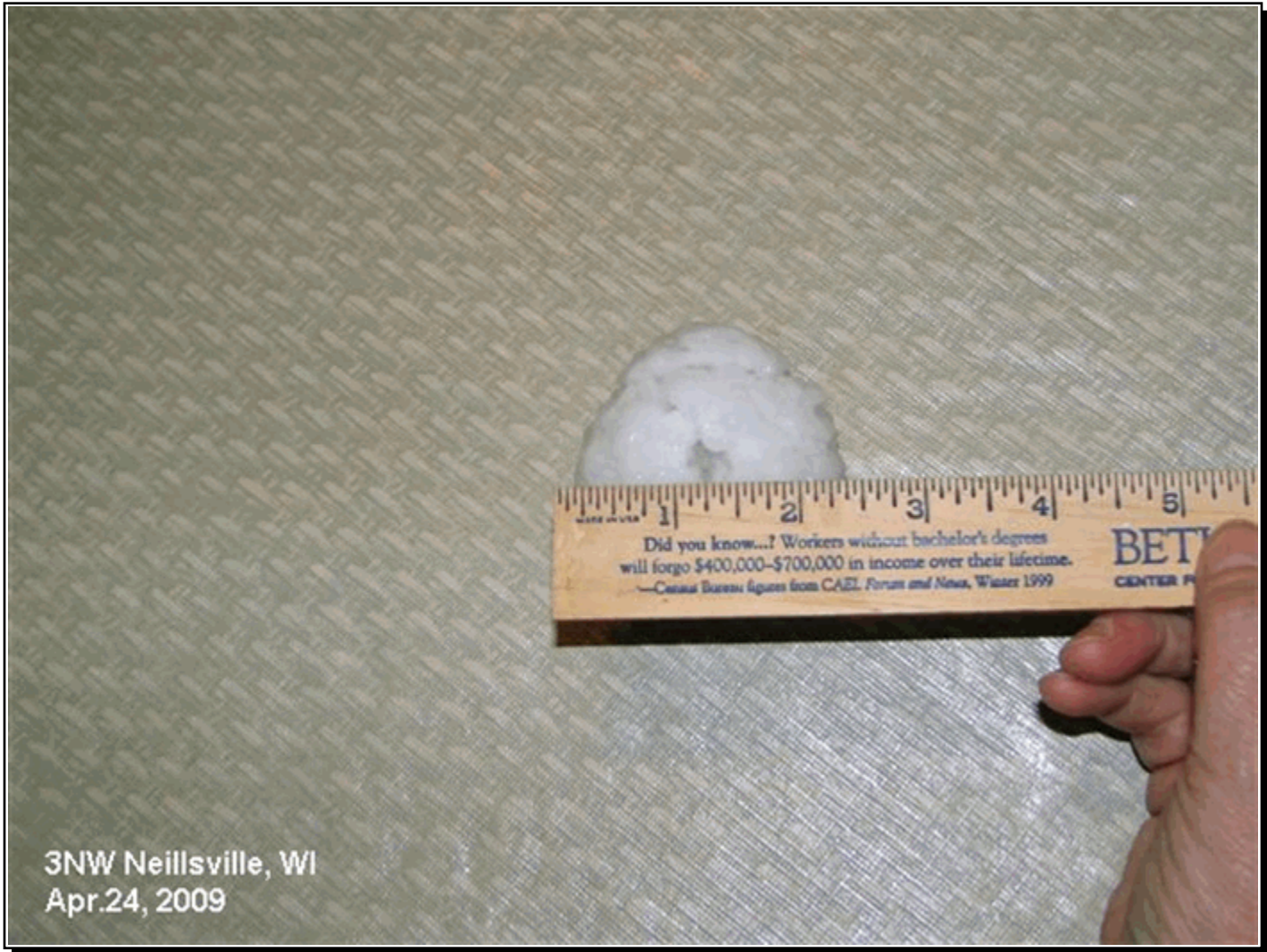


Photo taken about 3 miles northwest of Neillsville, WI by parents of a NWS employee.

GRANT COUNTY --- 2.6 ENE TENNYSON [42.69, -90.63], 2.8 ENE TENNYSON [42.69, -90.63]

04/26/09 17:45 CST	0	Tornado (EF0, L: 0.13 mi , W: 15 yd)
04/26/09 17:46 CST	0	Source: Trained Spotter

A trained spotter witnessed a brief touch down of a tornado five miles north of Dickeyville in an open field with no damage.

GRANT COUNTY --- 3.0 NE POTOSI [42.71, -90.68]

04/26/09 18:03 CST	0	Funnel Cloud
04/26/09 18:03 CST	0	Source: Trained Spotter

A trained spotter reported a funnel cloud three miles northeast of Potosi.

GRANT COUNTY --- 1.0 W ELLENBORO [42.78, -90.64]

04/26/09 18:04 CST	0	Funnel Cloud
04/26/09 18:04 CST	0	Source: Trained Spotter

A trained spotter reported a funnel cloud one mile west of Ellenboro.

A strong low pressure system moved across northern Iowa in the evening hours of April 26th. This allowed severe thunderstorms and tornadoes to track across parts of eastern Iowa and into southwest Wisconsin. The severe storms produced funnel clouds and a brief tornado in rural Grant County.

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GRANT COUNTY --- 3.7 N WYALUSING [42.98, -91.12], 1.2 NE MUSCODA [43.19, -90.44], 1.3 SSW HAZEL GREEN [42.51, -90.44], 0.5 N BAGLEY [42.91, -91.12]	04/26/09 21:00 CST		0	Flash Flood (due to Heavy Rain)
	04/27/09 04:00 CST		0	Source: Trained Spotter

A trained spotter reported two feet of water over County Highway X and Law Enforcement officials reported flooded rural roadways in Grant County.

A strong low pressure system tracked across northern Iowa in the evening hours of April 26th. This produced strong thunderstorms with very heavy rainfall across parts of southwest Wisconsin. The heavy rainfall caused flooding of rural roadways in Grant County.